

The Mendham Messenger

November 2016

Mayor's Update

Dear Resident and Business Owner,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those residents who attended our October 3 Borough Council meeting to hear the presentation on how the Borough would like to succeed retiring Police Chief Pasquale Libertino.

The presentation, along with the PBA's position paper and the 2013-2014 feasibility study conducted by our Citizen's Ad-Hoc committee can be found on the home page of our website.

Based on feedback received at the meeting and from emails sent in by residents, the Mayor and Council, with the help of Councilman Andrus and Badal, will now evaluate any potential changes that need to be made to the Police Chief's promotional ordinance so that we can seat a Chief who is prepared to take the position and lead our police department into the new policing challenges that face us. This will be a deliberate process so that we ensure the ordinance is worded correctly in order to find the very best candidate for Chief of Police. In the meantime, if an officer in charge needs to be appointed as a temporary measure until we are ready to proceed with testing for a new Chief of Police, that move will be made with much thought given to it. I will also reach out to the elected officials in Mendham Township to see if they have any interest in contracting with the Borough of Mendham for police services. This was the recommendation made in the 2013-2014 citizens' ad-hoc committee report. Finally, I would like to let you know that all of this will continue to be discussed in an open forum at future council meetings. We meet on the first and third Monday of each month. I encourage your participation on this very important matter.

In other news, the Mayor and Council will be discussing a request for additional handicap parking at West Field. Budget planning has begun in earnest and department heads have been asked to begin preparing their 2017 budget which will be reviewed with the Borough Administrator, the Council's finance sub-committee and ultimately the full council.

I am hopeful that the Department of Transportation funding will now become available to us to complete the Orchard Street Sidewalk and Paving Project. You may recall this project was put on hold by a State order until a resolution was hammered out on how to fund the state's

transportation trust fund. Now that it appears a settlement has been reached, albeit at the expense of 23 cents per gallon increase in our gasoline tax, it appears the money will be available for the project to proceed.

Finally, I would like to remind all residents to report anything they perceive to be a zoning violation to Borough Administrator Merkt. As we have a part time zoning officer, it is difficult to patrol every inch of the Borough looking for infractions. We need your help. If you see something, say something.

Don't forget, the winter overnight parking ban goes into effect this month.

Best wishes for a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Neil Henry
Mayor

Annual Hilltop Christmas Concert

The Hilltop Presbyterian Church will present its Annual Christmas Concert on Sunday afternoon, December 11, 2016, at 4:00 pm. This year's concert will have an international theme; all of the music chosen has its origins in the Americas, Europe, and Africa, although the vast majority of the pieces performed will be sung in English. There will also be opportunities for the audience to join in and sing along with their favorite carols.

The concert will include a 25-piece chamber orchestra, the Hilltop Handbell Choir, our magnificent pipe organ, and a 90-voice choir - formed from the combined forces of the Hilltop Sanctuary Choir and the Jefferson Township High School Chamber Choir.

Tickets are available at a cost of \$15 for adults and \$10 for children and students. This concert has been a full house in the past, so don't delay! Tickets will be available beginning in November at the church office in Hilltop House, 14 Hilltop Rd. For more information about the concert, please call [973-543-4012](tel:973-543-4012).





Mendham Borough
LIBRARY

News from the Mendham Borough Library

10 Hilltop Road 973 543-4152 www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org

An Extraordinary Wine Event Just in Time for the Holiday Season! Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30 pm

Hosted by Ash Rajan. He is one of only eight Certified Maître' Du Vin Du Bordeaux (Master of Bordeaux & Burgundy Wine from Ecole Du Vin, France) in the United States and will discuss:

- Old World versus New World Wines
- Must Go Wine-centric Places To Visit
- The Art of Collecting Wine and Building a Cellar
- The Art of Wine Entertaining
- Wine Etiquette: The Hold, The Glance, The Twirl, The Legs & The Profiling
- The Right Goblet, Temperature & Decanting
- Picking a \$20 Bottle that feels like a \$100 bottle
- Red with Fish & Other Legendary Wine-Pairings

Sign up for this program by calling the library.



Monthly Knitting for Beginners Class

Join us to learn the basics of knitting. The program meets the 2nd Friday of each month at 10:30 am. The next meeting is November 11th. Space is limited.

The Mendham Borough Historical Society

Tuesday, November 15, 2016, at 7:30 PM in the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson St. The program features Jim DelGiudice presenting, "Preserving Our Past in Photographs." Old photos were kept in the end-table drawer, but now they are everywhere - computers, DVDs, 'the cloud'. Is that safer? In this workshop, the speaker projects images and shows us how to preserve our history for future generations. The audience is invited to bring vintage or current photos, especially those with copy or preservation problems for which techniques may be offered. A lifetime Morris County resident, J. DelGiudice documents the NJ scene with his architectural photography and lectures at area colleges/universities, and also lectures at educational and professional programs in the metropolitan area; he is a three-time recipient of the state's Historic Preservation Award. The public is invited to this free program.

For Kids in November



Chess Club: Thursday, November 3 @ 6:30 p.m.
Join Chess instructor Marty Sobin as he teaches new tips and tricks for the game of chess.

Exploring Science: Come explore the world of science! We will make volcanoes, rockets and more.

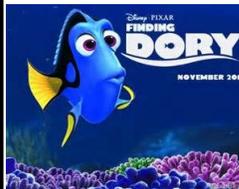
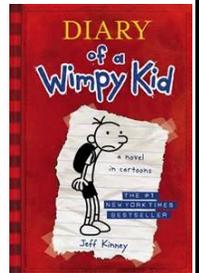


Mondays (K- 3rd Grade) @ 3:15: 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28

Thursdays (4th - 8th Grade) @ 3:30: 11/10, 11/17

Book Worms: Tuesdays: 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, & 11/29

Join the library as we read a selected book together and enjoy an afternoon snack. The book this month will be *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney. Stop by the library and pick your copy today!



Afternoon Movies: Friday, November 11th @ 3:15 Join us as we adventure across the seas with Disney Pixar's *Finding Dory*

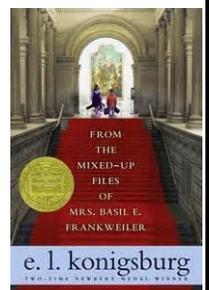
Tween Advisory Board: Thursday, November 17th @ 6:00 p.m.

Have fun programs that you want to help plan for the library? Join Ms. Amanda for pizza and planning of future library programs! Open to 5th-8th Graders.

Lego Club: Friday, November 18th @ 3:15 p.m.
Come after school for an afternoon of Legos and fun!

Bagels and Books: Saturday, November 19th @ 10:30 a.m.

Read a selected book as a family and talk about it at the library. This month we will be reading *From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler* by E.L. Konigsburg. Copies available for pick up at the library!



New Books & DVDs

Fiction

<i>All The Little Liars</i>	Harris, Charlaine
<i>An Irish Country Love Story</i>	Taylor, Patrick
<i>Broken Trust</i>	Griffin, W.E.B.
<i>Christmas Caramel Murder</i>	Fluke, Joanne
<i>Crepe Factor</i>	Childs, Laura
<i>Daisy In Chains</i>	Bolton, Sharon
<i>Fates and Traitors</i>	Chiaverini, Jennifer
<i>First Strike</i>	Goes, Ben
<i>Ghost Times Two</i>	Hart, Carolyn
<i>Hag-Seed</i>	Atwood, Margaret
<i>Home</i>	Coben, Harlan
<i>Home at Last</i>	Williams, Vera
<i>Hot Start</i>	Freed, David
<i>Infamy</i>	Tanambaum, Robert
<i>Kill Or Be Killed</i>	Patterson, James
<i>Kindred</i>	Butler, Octavia E.
<i>Missing</i>	Patterson, James
<i>Order To Kill</i>	Flynn, Vince
<i>Pushing Up Daisies An Agatha</i>	
<i>Raisin Mystery</i>	Beaton, M. C.
<i>Red Right Hand</i>	Holm, Chris
<i>Robert B. Parker's Debt To Pay</i>	Coleman, Reed Farrel
<i>Small Great Things</i>	Picoult, Jodi
<i>Stealing Snow</i>	Paige, Danielle
<i>Stripped Bare</i>	Baker, Shannon
<i>Texas Tall</i>	Dailey, Janet
<i>The Blind Astronomer's Daughter</i>	Pipkin, John
<i>The Bookshop on the Corner</i>	Colgan, Jenny
<i>The Candidate</i>	Wiehl, Lis
<i>The Kept Woman</i>	Slaughter, Karin
<i>The Life She Wants</i>	Carr, Robyn
<i>The Obsidian Chamber</i>	Preston, Douglas
<i>The Trespasser</i>	French, Tana
<i>The Wangs Vs. The World</i>	Chang, Jade
<i>The Wonder</i>	Donoghue, Emma
<i>Thrice The Brinded Cat Hath Mew'd</i>	Bradley, Alan
<i>Twelve Days Of Christmas</i>	Macomber, Debbie
<i>Two By Two</i>	Sparks, Nicholas
<i>We are Growing</i>	Keller, Laurie

Winter Storms
Woman Of God

Hilderbrand, Elin
Patterson, James

Non-Fiction

<i>All Time Best Appetizers</i>	Cook's Illustrated
<i>All Time Best Soups</i>	Cook's Illustrated
<i>Born To Run Bruce Springsteen</i>	Springsteen, Bruce
<i>Conversations With McCartney</i>	Du Noyer, Paul
<i>Fodor's Travel New England</i>	Baskin, Kara
<i>Get What's Yours For Medicare</i>	Moeller, Philip
<i>Hillbilly Elegy A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis</i>	Vance, J.D.
<i>My Facebook For Seniors 3rd Edition</i>	Miller, Michael
<i>My Own Words</i>	Ginsburg, Ruth Bader
<i>Star Talk</i>	Tyson, Neil deGrasse
<i>The General Vs. The President</i>	Brands, H. W.

Audiobooks

<i>Chasing The Dime</i>	Connelly, Michael
<i>Commonwealth</i>	Patchett, Ann
<i>Don't I know You?</i>	Jackson, Marni
<i>My Own Words</i>	Ginsburg, Ruth Bader
<i>Sting</i>	Brown, Sandra
<i>The General vs. The President</i>	Brands, H. W.
<i>Winter Storms</i>	Hilderbrand, Elin

DVDs

<i>Alice Through the Looking Glass</i>	Arrived
<i>Blinky Bill The Movie</i>	Arrived
<i>Café Society</i>	Arrived
<i>Central Intelligence</i>	Arrived
<i>Finding Dory</i>	Arrived
<i>Free State of Jones</i>	Arrived
<i>Genius</i>	Arrived
<i>Ghostbusters</i>	Arrived
<i>Hunt For The Wilderpeople</i>	Arrived
<i>Love & Friendship</i>	Arrived
<i>Now You See Me 2</i>	Arrived
<i>The BFG</i>	11/29/2016
<i>The Man Who Knew Infinity</i>	Arrived
<i>The Meddler</i>	Arrived
<i>The Shallows</i>	Arrived



Events at Schiff Nature Preserve

(339 Pleasant Valley Rd., Mendham)
See a complete listing and register on line
at www.schiffnaturepreserve.org or
call 973-543-6004

Nov 20, 1-3 pm - Nature Discovery for Kids: Tree, Nuts & Seeds

Search for and identify a variety of seeds along our trails. Ages 6+ (adults welcome, too). Members pay \$10 per person; nonmembers pay \$15.

Nov 20, 8 am - Sunday Morning Fitness Hike

A brisk guided 5-mile hike over varied terrain across Schiff Nature Preserve. Meet at McVickers Brook parking lot at 239 Pleasant Valley Road,

Mendham. Free for members; \$10 non members.

Nov 20, 9 am - noon - Land Steward for a Day

Lend a hand clearing trails or helping with minor repairs around the preserve! Groups and individuals ages 15 and up welcome.

Nov 21, 10-11 am - Tree Time for Tykes: Nature Prepares for Winter

Through story, walk and craft, explore the different ways the forest prepares for winter. Ages 2-4 with an adult. Members pay \$10 per adult/child pair; nonmembers pay \$15.

Nov 28, 9-10:30 am - Gentle Hike for Adults

A gentle 3-mile guided hike along Schiff's trails. Ages 18+. Members are free, non members pay \$10

Borough Calendar for November 2016

Curbside Bulk Pickup - Mondays, November 7, 14, 21 & 28

Recycle - Thursday, November 10

Borough Council Meetings - at the Garabrant Center, 8 pm on Monday, November 7 & 21

Board of Adjustment - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Tuesday, November 1

Environmental Commission - at the Phoenix House, 8 pm on Thursday, November 17

Historic Preservation Commission - at the Phoenix House, 7:30 pm on Monday, November 21

Planning Board Meeting - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Monday, November 14

Recreation Meeting - at the Phoenix House, 7:30 pm on Wednesday, November 9

Free Rabies Shot Clinics

Available for all dogs and cats. Saturday, November 12th and January 14th 10 am–12 pm at Bernards Township Public Works Garage 277 S. Maple Ave.,

Basking Ridge and December 10th 1 pm–2:30 pm at Mendham Township Brookside Firehouse 1 Cherry Lane, Brookside. No appointments necessary.

Holiday Boutique Sale

The 18th Annual Brookside Community Club Holiday Boutique will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2016 from 9 am until 3:30 pm at the Brookside Community Club in Mendham Twp. on Main St. across from the Brookside Post Office. Admission is free. The sale will feature clothes to fit the American Girl Dolls, photos on cards, jewelry, Mendham Township blankets, hats, chocolate, bookmarks, journals, jams, jellies, & spreads, paper goods & gifts, board games, scarves, handcrafted organic soaps, Fairy crowns & wands, hand painted silk scarves, small watercolors, silk jackets, woodcrafts & woodturnings, ribbon accessories (belts, headbands, keychains, dog collars), Usborne Books and much more.

